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1. The KHIMKI (37°26'E/55°53'N) airfield (location: see Annex) was about 3,300 x 3,300 feet and had no concrete runways or taxiways. A hangar serving as a "F" camp and a single-story brick building were located at the southwestern edge of the field.*
2. Twenty to twenty-five aircraft of various types, including twin-engine Douglas planes, fighters of type Me-109, and biplanes, were temporarily stationed at the field. The field was often unoccupied.
3. Three about 35 feet high wooden masts with large knobs painted red were located in a row west of the road bridge across the Moscow-Volga-Canal.** Source observed that seaplanes took off and landed over these masts. The planes were moored at the western border of the Basin, where there were some wooden sheds. ***

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Comment:

* a. The reported data on the location and condition of the KHIMKI airfield confirmed previous information. However, according to this information the landing field is 4,000 x 5,300 feet. The field served as a test field for the aircraft and V-weapons plant.

** b. The observed three masts probably were obstacle lighting facilities needed for night flying.

*** c. The existence of a seaplane base seems credible since it was previously observed by several other sources.

1 Annex: Airfield and Seaplane Base of KHIMKI

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+ Comment: Other reports indicate that this field has at least one, if not more, concrete runways.

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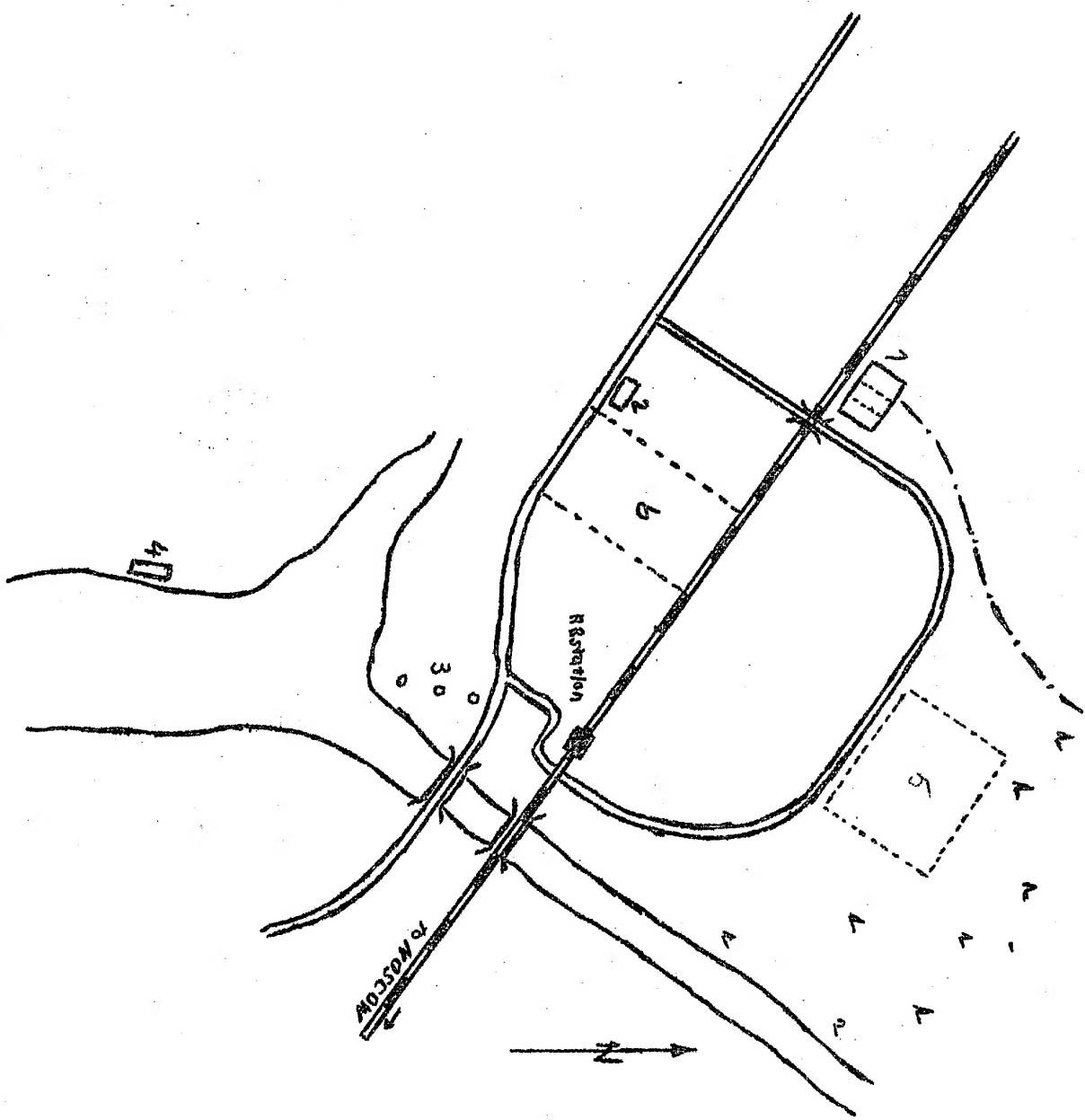
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Airfield and Seaplane Base of Khinksi, Moscow Oblast, Moscow MD

Legend:

- 1 Hanger used as a PW camp
- 2 Chemical Institute
- 3 Masts marking the direction of approach for seaplanes
- 4 Wooden sheds
- 5 V-weapons plant
- 6 Aircraft plant



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